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Classified By: Political Officer Maureen B. Latour for reasons 1.4(b) and (d).

(C) On February 14, Poloff made initial delivery of reftel demarche to Vitus Njiku, head of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' United Nations Security Council Unit. Mr. Njiku had no substantive reply regarding the candidacies of Venezuela and Guatemala for the Group of Latin American Countries' (GRULAC) seat in the United Nations Security Council. Post will continue to brief Government of Tanzania officials on this important issue.

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